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Indiana Department of Workforce Development Awarded \$940,000 in Federal Grants to Improve Unemployment Insurance System

Indianapolis – Today the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (“IDWD”) announced that the agency was awarded approximately \$940,000 in competitive grants from the U.S. Department of Labor. These funds will be targeted at improving customer service to Hoosier employers.

“Governor Daniels has charged his administration with securing Indiana’s fair share of federal grant funds,” said Commissioner Ron Stiver. “We are pleased that the U.S. Department of Labor awarded Indiana these funds, which will result in employers saving time and money through improved online functionality in the Unemployment Insurance (“UI”) system. These upgrades will also result in reduced administrative costs for our agency and tax savings for Hoosier employers.”

The grants were awarded through a competitive application process. Details for the two grants awarded to Indiana include:

- \$460,391 to upgrade the Indiana UI system, allowing Hoosier employers to register online rather than through lengthy paper application
- \$478,606 to upgrade the Indiana UI system, allowing Hoosier employers to report required quarterly data online rather through lengthy paper forms

IDWD will implement the above upgrades as part of its overall effort to modernize Indiana’s UI system.

For more information on the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, please visit our website at www.workforce.in.gov or call 1-888-WorkOne.